

CORN IS RAISED BY DROP IN SHIPMENTS

U. S. Order on Industrial Al- cohol Acts as Brake—Ex- ports Rally Oats.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Corn prices developed strength to-day owing to the unexpected falling off in imports of alcohol. The market closed firm, with the price unchanged at \$1.21 1/2 and May 1.29 1/2. Oats gained 5¢ to 16. Provisions were set back to 60¢ to 16. At first corn had a downward slant as a result of continued mild weather that promised increasing receipts. It was not until the market closed firm, that the number of officials had taken place made sales cautious, notwithstanding that a Government order which stops the manufacture of industrial alcohol from any kind of corn except sample grade was generally construed as a bearish factor. Later the scarcity of rural help caused a slight upward movement, and in the last hour there was a somewhat vigorous upturn in values, the consequence partly of announcement of a sharp decrease of North American available supplies of oats.

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OILS. Standard white petroleum oil, New York and Philadelphia, \$12.50; bulk, \$16.00; white water, \$12.50; kerosene, \$12.50; gasoline, \$12.50; linseed, \$12.50; linseed oil, strictly pure, gallons of 50 lb., \$12.50.

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POLYESTER. Dressed—Fresh—Supplies, freight and express, continue good and market in strong shape for all fresh meat, picked, fresh, No. 1, 12 to 16 oz.; No. 2, 10 to 12 oz.; No. 3, 8 to 10 oz.; No. 4, 6 to 8 oz.; No. 5, 4 to 6 oz.; No. 6, 3 to 4 oz.; No. 7, 2 to 3 oz.; No. 8, 1 to 2 oz.; No. 9, 1/2 oz.; No. 10, 1/2 oz.; No. 11, 1/2 oz.; No. 12, 1/2 oz.; No. 13, 1/2 oz.; No. 14, 1/2 oz.; No. 15, 1/2 oz.; No. 16, 1/2 oz.; No. 17, 1/2 oz.; No. 18, 1/2 oz.; No. 19, 1/2 oz.; No. 20, 1/2 oz.; No. 21, 1/2 oz.; No. 22, 1/2 oz.; No. 23, 1/2 oz.; No. 24, 1/2 oz.; No. 25, 1/2 oz.; No. 26, 1/2 oz.; No. 27, 1/2 oz.; No. 28, 1/2 oz.; No. 29, 1/2 oz.; No. 30, 1/2 oz.; No. 31, 1/2 oz.; No. 32, 1/2 oz.; No. 33, 1/2 oz.; No. 34, 1/2 oz.; No. 35, 1/2 oz.; No. 36, 1/2 oz.; No. 37, 1/2 oz.; No. 38, 1/2 oz.; No. 39, 1/2 oz.; No. 40, 1/2 oz.; No. 41, 1/2 oz.; No. 42, 1/2 oz.; No. 43, 1/2 oz.; No. 44, 1/2 oz.; No. 45, 1/2 oz.; No. 46, 1/2 oz.; No. 47, 1/2 oz.; No. 48, 1/2 oz.; No. 49, 1/2 oz.; No. 50, 1/2 oz.; No. 51, 1/2 oz.; 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